

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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LAND REFORMS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether land reforms marked in the Tenth Plan have been considered as an important policy measure for eradication of poverty in the rural areas;
- (b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard, State- wise; and
- (c) the measures being taken by the Government if the progress is not satisfactory?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI A.NARENDRA)

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c) Statements showing the State-wise progress of Distribution of Ceiling Surplus Land, Govt. Wastelands and Bhoodanland, and Conferment of Ownership Rights on Tenants, Alienation and Restoration of Tribal Lands and Consolidation of Land Holdings are at Annexures I, II, III, IV, V and VI respectively.

Land and its management comes under the exclusive jurisdiction of States. Ministry of Rural Development plays an advisory and coordinating role in the field of land reforms. Land Reform is a continuous process. Ministry of Rural Development plays the role of evolving a national consensus for initiating effective land reforms. It organizes conferences of Chief Ministers and Revenue Ministers from time to time and monitors conferment of ownership rights on tenants, restoration as well as prevention of alienation of Tribal Land, consolidation of land holdings, distribution of Government wasteland, ceiling surplus land and Bhoodanland etc.